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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL WASHINGTON

May 11, 1953

MEMORANDUM FOR THE NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

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SUBJECT: Security Requirements for Government Employment

REFERENCE: Executive Order 10450, dated April 27, 1953

l. Pursuant to Section 3 (b) of the reference Executive Order on the subject, the Executive Secretary, with the concurrence of Mr. Cutler, has designated all positions on the NSC Staff as sensitive positions in view of the direct relationship of the work of the Staff to national security. The members of the NSC Staff will therefore continue to receive, as they have in the past, full field investigations prior to their entry upon duty.

2. Section 14 (a) of the reference Executive Order provides as follows:

"The Civil Service Commission, with the continuing advice and collaboration of representatives of such departments and agencies as the National Security Council may designate, shall make a continuing study of the manner in which this order is being implemented by the departments and agencies of the Government for the purpose of determining:

- (1) Deficiencies in the department and agency security programs established under this order which are inconsistent with the interest of, or directly or indirectly weaken, the national security.
- (2) Tendencies in such programs to deny to individual employees fair, impartial, and equitable treatment at the hands of the Government, or rights under the Constitution and laws of the United States or this order.

Information affecting any department or agency developed or received during the course of such continuing study shall be furnished immediately to the

head of the department or agency concerned. The Civil Service Commission shall report to the National Security Council, at least semi-annually, on the results of such study, and shall recommend means to correct any such deficiencies or tendencies."

3. It is accordingly recommended that the National Security Council designate the Interdepartmental Committee on Internal Security to provide the continuing advice to and collaboration with the Civil Service Commission as required to carry out the provisions of Section 14 (a) of Executive Order 10450.

4. It is requested that each Council member, the Secretary of the Treasury, the Attorney General and the Director of Defense Mobilization indicate his action with respect to the above recommendation by completing and returning the attached memorandum form.*

JAMES S. LAY, Jr. Executive Secretary

The Secretary of the Treasury
The Attorney General
The Director of Defense Mobilization
The Chairman, Civil Service Commission
The Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff
The Director of Central Intelligence

* Memorandum form not attached.